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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of December 27, 2022, through January 1, 2023.

GENERAL DATA

DATES: December 31, 2022, through December 17, 2023. Racing is Saturday through Sunday.

POST TIMES: Saturday: 6:00pm - Sunday: 5:15pm

ENTRIES: Seventy-two hours in advance or as specified in the condition book. Scratch time is 9:00am the following day after entries.

WAGERING: \$1 win, place and show wagering on every race; Daily Doubles (early, mid-card and late) on each card. \$1 Rolling Pick Threes (starting with race 2); \$1 Exactas on all races; \$1 Trifectas on all races; \$1 and 10 cent Superfectas on all qualifying races; \$1 Pick Four on the first four and final four races; \$2 Pick Six (with carryover) on final six races, and \$1 Place Pick All beginning with first race. Mid-Card Daily Double starts midway through the card. The Late Daily Double will always occur in the last two races of the race card. The Pick 6 will always occur on the last six races of the race card. In the event that there are not enough horses carded in a race to offer a Superfecta, we will then offer a \$1 Quinella. Place Pick All occurs in the first through final race.

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Wednesday

12/28/2022

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Tom Ward will be in the office this week for entries, scratches, and changes. Ward will also be writing minutes for the week. Entries for Saturday went well as the draw was finalized shortly after 1:00 P.M. There were nine races programmed.

Thursday

12/29/2022

(1) SUNDAY DRAW AND PANEL

The ten-race card for New Year's Day was finalized by 3:00 P.M. Changes for Saturday were minimal. The Los Alamitos "panel" met this morning to discuss the runners on the Saturday card; no horses were scratched but there was one "hard watch" horse listed for closer scrutiny. There are ten races carded, headed by the Grade I Charger Bar Handicap.

Friday

12/30/2022

(1) SUNDAY SCRATCHES AND PANEL

The "panel" met once again to go over the past performances for Sunday. There was one "panel" scratch, that being Baby Gronk from the third race for ongoing veterinary issues. Heavy precipitation

is expected on New Year's Eve, so we will have to see how many track condition scratches are submitted.

Saturday
12/31/2022

(1) EARLY DECLARATIONS

5th Race #3 Makah Lane (Vet- injured) Refund of \$75.33
9th Race #2 Mi Santo (Vet-unsound) Refund of \$323.06

(2) RULING

Ruling # 1

JOCKEY CESAR FRANCO IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL RIDING ENGAGEMENT), CAUSING A LATE RIDER CHANGE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON DECEMBER 18, 2022.

This ruling was issued as Mr. Franco did not fulfill his first engagement here on December 18th, 2022.

(3) APPRENTICE ALLOWANCE WAIVED

Apprentice jockey Panfilo Alegria was forced to waive his apprentice allowance in the first race due to overweight. The horse ultimately carried 123 pounds finishing last.

(4) QUIET EVENING

Aside from the weather, all went smoothly during the nine race card on New Year's Eve.

(5) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	839	\$104,072.70
Off track	1,223	\$324,699.00
Out of state	N/A	\$845,915.65
Total	2,062	\$1,274,687.35

Sunday
01/01/2023

(1) EARLY SCRATCHES

There was significant overnight rain at this venue and several scratches for track condition were submitted. Unless otherwise noted, the following scratches were for a wet/sloppy track.

1st Race #8 Aberdeen's Knight (Vet-injured) Refund of \$569.05
2nd Race #1 Macho Sam
#4 Big Mama Thornton Refund of \$806.68
3rd Race #1 Around The Dial
#3 Baby Gronk (Panel- ongoing vet concerns) Refund of \$1,134.79
4th Race #2 Think Of Anita (Vet- injured) Refund of \$732.40
6th Race #5 Edinburgh Express Refund of \$522.21
10th Race #6 Pattys Saint (Vet-unsound) Refund of \$614.80

(2) RIDER EXCUSED

Jockey Adrian Loza was excused from his engagements this evening due to illness. Replacement riders were announced.

(3) VIDEO REVIEW

Jockey Kevin Camacho was in the office to review the first race from last evening for educational purposes. He permitted his horse to drift out down the backstretch, making light contact with another horse. Approaching the finish, it appeared that he stood up several strides before the wire, but it was impossible to be certain that his actions cost him a finish position. He left with a warning that we expect better from him going forward.

(4) RULING

Ruling # 2

JOCKEY RUBEN LOZANO IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)* FOR

VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688 (b)(3) (USE OF RIDING CROP – STRUCK HIS MOUNT DURING THE POST PARADE/WARM UP PERIOD) PRIOR TO THE TENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON DECEMBER 18, 2022.

This ruling was issued after Mr. Lozano had viewed video of the warm up period prior to the tenth race on December 18th, during which he struck his mount twice with his crop. He had no excuse and accepted the penalty.

(5) LATE RIDER CHANGE

Jockey Adrian Loza, who was scheduled to ride in the seventh race, could not get within the seven pound overweight limit and had to be removed from his horse #6 Believe In Rose. A replacement rider was named.

(6) REFUND

A refund was ordered in the ninth race as #6 Lovely Evening flipped during the loading procedure and was declared on the recommendation of Racing Veterinarian Becky Fitzgerald. The refund amounted to \$4,574.61.

(7) REFUND

The Stewards ordered a refund in race ten as #4 Kiss Thru Fire did not warm up to the satisfaction of Racing Veterinarian Fitzgerald and was declared on her advice. The resulting refund totaled \$52,850.58.

(8) ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

On track	549	\$84,303.70
Off track	943	\$227,163.90
Out of state	N/A	\$1,373,896.98
Total	1,492	\$1,685,364.58

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on January 1, 2022. Two equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period, 11 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 6 for soundness, and 5 for injury. Six horses previously on the Veterinarian's list were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward Tom Ward.

SUMMARY

	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat 12/31	Sun 01/01	Week	Meet
Accidents	D			0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	A			0	0	0	0
Claims	R			2	0	2	2
Disqualifications	K			0	0	0	0
Inquiries		D		0	0	0	0
Refunds		A		2	8	10	10
Rulings		Y		1	1	2	2
Voided Claims		S		0	0	0	0

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards Tom Ward, James Dreyer, David Nuesch and Safety Steward Paul Atkinson were in attendance during this reporting period.

Tom Ward, Steward

James Dreyer, Steward

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Paul Atkinson, Safety Steward